Memorandum

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DATE: 4 February 1965

FROM

Chief, Alien Affairs Staff

SUBJECT:

CIA Amendments to the Immigration and Nationality Act

1. On 4 February 1965, ______, Assistant Legislative Counsel, and the undersigned met with James L. Hennessey, Executive Assistant to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization Service to discuss CIA's proposed amendments to the I&N Act.

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- 2. Mr. Hennessey stated that it was his understanding that the Department of Justice and the Department of State had agreed that they would not submit any amendments to the President's Bill to change the I&N Act because they did not wish to prejudice its passage. He stated that both State and Immigration have proposed technical amendments to the Act but they will not do anything about these until after the Administration's National Origins Quota Amendments are completed.
- 3. We went over the proposed CIA amendments with Mr. Hennessey and he stated that he did not feel the Service would have any great objections to any of the proposals, however, he did say it was possible that there might be some slight objection to the inclusion of all aliens employed by the U. S. Government receiving the benefits of Section 216(b). He said that he could see the security need for removing the Agency's name and it might not be as big a problem as he thinks.
- 4. He further stated that he did not believe an amendment to Section 313 of the Act was advisable, especially at this time since the Congress appears to be somewhat jealous of its prerogatives and the prerogatives of the Judiciary and would probably be opposed to permitting an official or officials of the Legislative Branch to determine that any naturalization is in the interest of the U. S.

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5. He commented on the proposed amendment which would help Radio Free Europe employees become citizens without regard to residence requirements and again stated that he felt that the Congress would not waive such requirements for a class and if the amendment was broadened to include organizations such as eleemosynary or educational institutions, this might give more people such benefits than necessary and the Congress probably would be opposed to granting such benefits on a large scale.	ILLEGIB
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